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TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER) EC PFOR

SUBJ: POSSIBLE VISIT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER TO ECUADOR

1. ON MORNING MAY 6 CHARGE CALLED ON SUBSECRETARY FOREIGN RELATIONS JOSE AYALA TO INFORM HIM OFFICIALLY OF THE DATE OF ARRIVAL OF AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE BLOOMFIELD. AYALA HAD JUST RETURNED FROM WASHINGTON WHERE HE SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH ASST. SECY ROGERS THE POSSIBLE VISIT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER.

2. HE SAID THAT HE HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT WHILE ECUADOR WELCOMED SUCH A VISIT, THE ATMOSPHERE FOR THE VISIT MUST BE PREPARED IN ADVANCE. BY THIS HE MEANT THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THE SECRETARY COULD MAKE ONE OR TWO CLEAR PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON THE ISSUES OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO ECUADOR. THE ECUADOREAN PUBLIC WOULD THEN BE PREPARED FOR A FAVORABLE RECEPTION FOR THE SECRETARY. AYALA DID NOT SPECIFY EXACTLY WHAT ISSUES HE WAS REFERRING TO BUT THEY PROBABLY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE OLD MATTERS OF GSP EXCLUSION AND FSO BORROWING AT THE IDB. HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN MORE SPECIFIC IN HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH ASST. SECY ROGERS.

3. AYALA SAID THAT IF THE ATMOSPHERE COULD NOT BE SO
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PREPARED IN ADVANCE IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO POSTPONE

SECRETARY KISSINGER'S VISIT TO ECUADOR.

4. HE SAID THAT IF THE SECRETARY WERE TO MAKE THIS VISIT
IN THE TIME FRAME UNDER CONSIDERATION, THERE WOULD BE NO
DIFFICULTY IN ARRANGING FOR A SPEEDY PRESENTATION OF
CREDENTIALS OF AMBASSADOR BLOOMFIELD.
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